

## PORT CIRCULAR 2 OF 2019

**To:** All Bunker Suppliers  
**From:** Captain of the Port  
**Date:** January 16, 2019  
**Re:** Bunker Barge Guidelines

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### Introduction

Any bunker barge over 100 metres requires special permission from the Captain of the Port in order for the vessel to be able to operate in Gibraltar.

### Main Points

The following conditions will apply on which bunker barges/ slops barges and lube oil barges are able to go alongside a customer vessel in the commercial anchorage, this is as follows:

- Any bunker barge/slops barge/ lube oil barge up to 100 metres must have a margin of 10% additional LOA for the supply vessel. (ie 70 metres = 77 metres – 90 metres = 99 metres, etc)
- Any bunker barge/slops barge/lube oil barge over 100 metres must have a margin of 25% additional LOA for the supply vessel. (ie 100 metres = 125 metres 108 metres = 135 metres, etc)

Suppliers are to ensure that the bunker barge/slops barge and lube oil barge that is scheduled to supply any customer vessels meet the criteria above. If the bunkering/slops/lube oil supplier has a customer vessel which does not meet the criteria above, the barge assigned to the vessel or the supplier are to email the Senior Port Officer (SPO) who will consult with other officers of the Gibraltar Port Authority and either approve or deny the request.

If it is found that a bunker barge has supplied a vessel under the criteria above, the Gibraltar Port Authority will take further action, which can include action against the master of the bunker barge (PEC) or against the Harbour Craft licence of the bunker barge as well as any other measures seen fit by the Captain of the Port.

The above also applies to slops and Lube oil barges

This guideline will also be incorporated into the Bunkering Code of Practice; **please note that compliance with this guideline is mandatory at all times.**

**BY ORDER OF THE CAPTAIN OF THE PORT**

